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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Confirmation Number: 8897

PETER TEN BERGE ET AL.

Application No.: 10/724,403

Group Art Unit: 2826

Filed: December 1, 2003

Examiner: LEONARDO ANDUJAR

For: SUBSTRATE, METHOD OF PREPARING A SUBSTRATE, METHOD OF MEASUREMENT, LITHOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD AND DEVICE MANUFACTURED THEREBY, AND MACHINE-READABLE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is a response to Restriction Requirement for this application.

FEES

The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS									
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GRAND TOTAL							\$	0.00	
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FEE PAYMENT

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$0.00 to Deposit Account No. 033975. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement dated December 8, 2005, the following election and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Examiner has made a requirement for restriction between the following groups of claims:

Group I.

Claims 1-24, drawn to a method of preparing a substrate; and

Group II.

Claims 26-28, drawn to a substrate having alignment marks.

ELECTION

In order to comply with the Examiner's Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect to prosecute Group I, directed to claims 1-24, for prosecution in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional application directed to the non-elected claims at a later date, if so desired.

This election is without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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